PARVATHIAKKARANS AND VILLAGE MENONS RETAINED IN SERVICE AFTER 55 YEARS—PARTICULARS OF SERVICE, ETC.

133. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the names of Parvathiakkarans and Village Menons who are still retained in service after 55 years;

(*b*) their present age;

(*c*) their total service;

(*d*) the reasons for giving them extension of service;

(*e*) the number of years they are given extension of?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) (*i*) M. S. Sahasranama Ayyar, Parvathiam, Trichur.

(*ii*) E. Govinda Menon, Menon of Mattancheri Village.

(*b*) (*i*) M. S. Sahasranama Ayyar, 56 years and 9 months.

(*ii*) E. Govinda Menon, 57 years.

(*c*) (*i*) M. S. Sahasranama Ayyar, 32 years 11 months and 10 days.

(*ii*) E. Govinda Menon, 36 years and 12 days.

(*d*) (*i*) M. S. Sahasranama Ayyar, in the interest of Government.

(*ii*) E. Govinda Menon was an inferior servant, but promoted as Menon.

(*e*) (*i*) M. S. Sahasranama Ayyar, 2 years.

(*ii*) E. Govinda Menon. He was originally a Village masapidi and subsequently promoted as Menon before 1099. He is an inferior servant as per article 23, C. S. R. and as such no sanction is required for his retension after 55 years.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, what this Sahasranama Ayyar's age is?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* It is given there in the answer as 56 years and 9 months. He is no longer in service.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* When was his service terminated?

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Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Last year.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Why is Govinda Menon retained?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* He is an inferior servant.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Are Parvathyams even now in the inferior service?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* He is not a Parvathyam. He is a Menon on Rs. 15 and under the rules in the C. S. R. he is an inferior servant.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Are all Menons considered as inferior servants?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* There are two grades of Menons. Assistant Menons draw Rs. 15.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Are Menons drawing over Rs. 15, inferior servants under the C. S. R.?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* No.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Is he the only Assistant Menon in the Department?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* According to the technical interpretation of the C. S. R. he is an inferior servant. Whether they should be classed as superior servants or not is a wide question of policy.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Do they get any pension?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* If they were recruited before 1099 they will get pension.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Are there retired Menons without pension at present? According to the hon'ble member's interpretation a Menon will be entitled to pension if he was an inferior servant before 1099 and subsequently promoted as a Menon?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* If he was an inferior servant the fact that he was promoted as Menon will not deprive him of his pension. Any Menon drawing Rs. 15 before 1099 will get pension. Menons recruited after 1099 as Menons will not get pension.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether any Parvathyam other than this Sahasranama Ayyar has been retained in the interests of public service during the last three years?

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Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Yes. At Cheruthuruthi, one Ananthakrishna Ayyar.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Is there any reason why these Parvathyams and Menons are not given pension?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* It is a matter of policy.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know why these people who work full-time should not be given pension? I cannot understand that policy. Is there any other class of Government servants who are not given pension?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Not in my Department.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Are not all peons in the inferior service given pension?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Yes.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Then why is this distinction made?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Because, it is in pursuance of a Government order which says that after 1099 as far as possible the principle of recruitment will be on the lines adopted in British India, that is, the principle of hereditariness, if I may coin a word.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Then they can continue for their life-time?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* No. The age of retirement is fixed at 55, subject to exemption as to their fitness. Extensions are given and that too only for an year at a time.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* It is said in the answer that no sanction is required for his retension after 55 years. Whose sanction is it that is contemplated?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Government sanction, of course.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Was the retension of Govinda Menon even after 55 years made at his request?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Automatically he can go on. No request is necessary. He is an inferior servant and according to the C. S. R. he can go on.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will the Government be pleased to place on the table this Government Proceedings saying that these people will not be given pension?

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Mr. President: You can give the reference.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, whether there were petitions from other Parvathyams and Menons to retain them after 55 years during last year?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* I am aware of one petition after I came to this office.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Was it sanctioned?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Yes, it was sanctioned. At Peramangalam.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Is his name included in this list?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* He has retired before.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Are there many cases where Village Menons have retired after 55?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* There are many cases.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Are these Parvathyams who get no pension to retire when they reach the age of 55?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* That is the present rule, subject to exceptions in deserving cases.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Before this rule came into force were they given pension?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* Yes.

CASTE-WAR STATEMENT—THROWN-OUT HANDS OF THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT, TALAPPALLI TALUK

134. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to print and place on the table of the House.—

(*a*) a caste-war statement of thrown-out hands as it stood on 1st Chingam 1114, in Talappalli Taluk, who had previously put in service in the Revenue Department as Village masapidies, peons and watchmen;

(*b*) a caste-war statement of Village masapidies, peons and watchmen, who were acting as such in Talappalli Taluk, on 1st Chingam 1114;

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